

CRASH COURSE

SUBMISSION

Week of October 15, 2017

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ICEBREAKER

Time for confession: Do you obey the speed limit?

We're talking about submission this week. Is it a positive or negative word to you? Why do you think it has such negative feelings associated with it in our culture?

SUBMISSION

The Problem of Sin

The importance of submission begins with an understanding of the real nature of sin. The definition we used on Sunday was this:

Sin is the prideful attitude that I come first.

This definition of sin emphasizes that sin is an attitude of the heart more than a behavior. Do you tend to think of sin in terms of attitude or behavior? What difference does it make how you think of sin?

SOLVING SIN

If sin is ultimately a prideful attitude, then the opposite of sin would be a humble attitude, specifically, a humble attitude that God comes first. What does it mean to put God first in your life?

Read Romans 6:11-18. What is that passage saying to you?

On Sunday, I said, "The fundamental behavior of a saved person is submission." How does an attitude of submission affect other Christian behaviors like worship, prayer, confession, tithing or service?

LEARNING TO SUBMIT

Sadly, submission isn't something that comes natural to us and it isn't something that we can "choose" to do because if we make the choice to do something, we aren't really in submission. Instead, all we can do is learn the truth and let it affect us. How do each of these three truths affect you?

- ✓ God is unimaginably great.
- ✓ Jesus displays perfect humility.
- ✓ I am utterly dependent.

Submission to God means letting him be truly in charge. What difference would it make in your life if these things were true for you?

- ✓ I let God be in charge of my circumstances.
- ✓ I let God be in charge of my attitudes and behaviors.
- ✓ I let God be in charge of my sense of identity and self-worth.

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